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1. EMBASSY SHOULD INQUIRE OF APPROPRIATE GOI OFFICE REGARDING
REPORT MENTIONED REFTEL AFFECTING INDIAN NATIONALS WHO ARE
REPRESENTATIVES OF U.S. MEDIA. YOU MAY NOTE THAT BALTIMORE
SUN HAS INQUIRED OF DEPARTMENT, ON BASIS OF PRESS ITEMS,
REGARDING STATUS OF PRAN SABHARWAL. NEWSPAPER HAS NOTED
THAT INABILITY OF SABHARWAL TO FUNCTION AS ITS BUREAU
CHIEF WOULD, IN EFFECT, MEAN CLOSING DOWN THE BALTIMORE
SUN BUREAU IN INDIA. ALTHOUGH WE ARE AWARE THAT SABHARWAL
IS AN INDIAN NATIONAL, GOI WILL APPRECIATE OUR INTEREST
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IN THIS CASE IN VIEW OF ITS DIRECT IMPACT ON AN AMERICAN

NEWSPAPER. WE WOULD WELCOME ANY INFORMATION GOI COULD
PROVIDE REGARDING BASIS FOR ACTION REPORTEDLY TAKEN.

2. SUGGEST YOU COORDINATE WITH WETHERALL AS TO WHETHER IT
WOULD BE DESIRABLE FOR EMBASSY TO MAKE SIMILAR QUERY
REGARDING KHANNA.

3. NEW YORK TIMES STORY FEBRUARY 15 AND BALTIMORE SUN
STORIES FEBRUARY 15 AND 16 ALL MENTIONED SABHARWAL'S
REPORTED LOSS OF ACCREDITATION BUT NONE REFERRED TO
KHANNA. WE ANTICIPATE THAT MATTER WILL BE RAISED AT
DEPARTMENT'S PRESS BRIEFING FEBRUARY 17 AND WILL APPRECIATE
FURTHER REPORT FROM EMBASSY TO REACH US FEBRUARY 17 A.M.
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